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NEW INCORPORATIONS DECLINE FROM '83 PEAK, BUT ARE 10 PERCENT HIGHER THAN A YEAR AGO

New York, Jan. 9--New business incorporations decreased 4.5 percent in September to a seasonally adjusted level 50,445, compared with the 1983 record-high level of 52,828 recorded in August.

Despite the current decrease, the level of new incorporations in September was 10.7 percent higher than the 45,552 new businesses registered in September 1982, according to The Dun & Bradstreet Corporation.

The sharpest declines in the number of new incorporations were reported in the three Middle Atlantic States: New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania. Increases were reported in only two regions, the West South Central and New England. All regions, however, reported increases compared with last year's level of new incorporations.

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The number of new incorporations in the first three quarters of 1983 totaled 451,176, an 8 percent increase compared with the first three quarters of 1982. The largest increases for individual states were recorded in North and South Carolina, Alabama, Kansas and New Jersey. Five of the nation's nine geographic regions posted increases that were higher than the national average. The percentage increase of new incorporations in the Pacific Region was significantly below the national average.

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TOTAL NEW BUSINESS INCORPORATIONS

	Sept. 1983	Previous Month	Previous Year
Unadjusted	49,890	53,515E	45,461E
Seasonally Adjusted	50,445	52,828	45,552

Geographic Division	Sept. 1983	Sept. 1982 (unadj.)	Nine Months 1983 (unadj.)	Nine Months 1982 (unadj.)
NEW ENGLAND	2,466	2,113	21,433	19,460
MIDDLE ATLANTIC	8,106	7,513	78,979	69,756
EAST NORTH CENTRAL	6,263	5,917	58,585	54,937
WEST NORTH CENTRAL	2,688	2,223	24,274	21,568
SOUTH ATLANTIC	12,362	11,087	107,870	96,767
EAST SOUTH CENTRAL	1,995	1,766	17,402	16,097
WEST SOUTH CENTRAL	6,244E	5,668E	53,074E	54,534E
MOUNTAIN	3,345	3,121	32,758	29,665
PACIFIC	6,421	6,053	56,801	55,025
TOTAL UNITED STATES	49,890E	45,461E	451,176E	417,809E

E=Estimated

Source: Economic Analysis Department
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(Incorporations by State Follows)

NEW BUSINESS INCORPORATIONS BY STATES AND GEOGRAPHIC REGIONS

(Not Seasonally Adjusted)

		Sept. 1983	Sept. 1982	Nine Months 1983	Nine Months 1982
NEW ENGLAND	Maine	181	139	1,548	1,316
	New Hampshire	184	162	1,711	1,391
	Vermont	125	98	1,172	968
	Massachusetts	1,106	918	9,343	8,802
	Connecticut	644	594	5,746	5,263
	Rhode Island	226	202	1,913	1,720
MIDDLE ATLANTIC	New York	4,914	4,582	48,257	43,149
	New Jersey	2,068	1,841	19,768	16,660
	Pennsylvania	1,124	1,090	10,954	9,947
EAST NORTH CENTRAL	Ohio	1,214	1,051	11,301	10,808
	Indiana	731	654	6,567	5,652
	Illinois	2,283	2,209	22,062	21,038
	Michigan	1,481	1,472	13,962	12,818
	Wisconsin	554	531	4,693	4,621
WEST NORTH CENTRAL	Minnesota	699	558	6,138	5,400
	Iowa	338	260	3,261	2,970
	Missouri	835	703	7,261	6,507
	North Dakota	85	74	678	806
	South Dakota	71	56	707	587
	Nebraska	225	260	2,199	2,168
	Kansas	435	312	4,030	3,130
SOUTH ATLANTIC	Maryland	700	1,188	6,520	7,699
	Delaware	2,031	1,716	17,749	15,873
	District of Columbia	501	148	1,996	1,274
	Virginia	1,050	1,036	10,477	9,083
	West Virginia	243	278	2,364	2,599
	North Carolina	862	791	8,366	6,949
	South Carolina	406	274	3,705	2,996
	Georgia	1,285	1,028	10,893	9,142
	Florida	5,284	4,628	45,800	41,152
EAST SOUTH CENTRAL	Kentucky	577	474	4,847	4,485
	Tennessee	704	574	6,026	5,621
	Alabama	431	392	4,189	3,297
	Mississippi	283	326	2,340	2,694
WEST SOUTH CENTRAL	Arkansas	350	296	3,131	3,016
	Oklahoma	850E	1,050E	7,443E	10,315E
	Louisiana	1,287	842	9,024	11,039
	Texas	3,757	3,480	33,476	30,164
MOUNTAIN	Montana	99	106	1,125	1,214
	Idaho	145	129	1,417	1,350
	Wyoming	90	121	914	1,028
	Colorado	879	837	10,063	8,703
	New Mexico	234	168	1,878	1,810
	Arizona	821	820	7,873	7,185
	Utah	352	293	3,022	2,666
	Nevada	725	647	6,466	5,709
PACIFIC	Alaska	190	185	1,968	2,003
	Washington	768	701	6,493	6,202
	Oregon	519	484	5,145	4,486
	California	4,734	4,451	41,286	40,450
	Hawaii	210	232	1,909	1,884
TOTAL UNITED STATES		49,890E	45,461E	451,176E	417,809E

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